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NCEL Pays More than \$100,000 in Big Powerball Prizes -Kinston Woman Wins \$35,000 Playing Instant Game-

RALEIGH- The North Carolina Education Lottery (NCEL) paid \$120,000 in big prizes this week to four Powerball players. Players won more than \$70,000 in prizes ranging from \$100 up to \$10,000 in Wednesday's Powerball drawing. Also this week, a Kinston woman became the first top prize winner of \$35,000 playing the instant scratch-off game "Monte Carlo."

Winner from the August 16 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Unknown		\$10,000	Fastrac Food Mart 631 Old Leicester Highway, Asheville

Winners in the August 12 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Ryan Tewksbury	Sneads Ferry	\$50,000	Handy Mart #40 2378 U.S. Highway 172, Sneads Ferry
Bernard Sapp	Four Oaks	\$50,000	Ronnie E. Parker's BP 280 U.S. Highway 701 South, Four Oaks

Note: The above winners won \$10,000 by matching four white balls and the Powerball. They chose the Power Play feature which multiplied their winnings to \$50,000. The multiplier for the draw was five.

Winner from the August 9 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Donald Beverly Jr.	Dublin, Va.	\$10,000	Quik Chek 434 Little River Rd., Seagrove

Winner from the August 2 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Ramon Orellana	Winston-Salem	\$10,000	Quality Mart #41 743 Piney Grove Rd., Kernersville

Note: The above \$10,000 winners matched four white balls and the Powerball.

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Instant Scratch-off ticket winner:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Game Played</u>
Marsha Williams	Kinston	\$35,000	"Monte Carlo"

For more information about the NCEL, visit its Web site at www.nc-educationlottery.org or call (919) 715-6886.

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